Several serious accidents have occurred at the Safedabad-Barabanki Railway crossing and the possibility of accidents is always there. In view of the traffic jam and heavy rush at this Railway crossing, the people of Barabanki have constantly been raising the demand for an overbridge, when Shri Janeshwar Mishra was holding the charge of the Ministry of Railways, he had promised to get it constructed. We made a request to the present Minister of Railways in this regard. He says that if the Government of Uttar Pradesh contributes 50 percent of the total cost of the overbridge, he would get it constructed as soon as possible.

Sir, as you are aware that Uttar Pradesh is under the President Rule. Hence if Hon'ble Minister so wishes, he can get a report regarding the overbridge at Safedabad crossing in Barabanki and can also issue orders to start the work immediately. This is the major problem being faced in District Barabanki. Hon'ble Minister is present here ad if he so wishes, this problem can be solved. Hence, through you, I would like to request the Hon'ble Minister of Railways that he should give the orders to start the construction of overbridge at Safedabad Railway crossing in the District Barabanki without further delay. I also request him to kindly make an announcement to this effect in the House.

SHRI RAMESHWAR PATIDAR (Khargone) : Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, through you, I would like to draw the attention of the House towards the news published in yesterday's newspapers that the Government has decided to discontinue the circulation of currency notes of one, two and five rupees denomination and the notes would not be printed in future. If it is true, it would not be printed in future. If it is true, it would be very wrong to do so because the condition of currency notes of Rs. one, Rs. two and Rs. five denomination is deplorable. The notes available are soiled and torn.

Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, the currency notes are indicators of economic situation, stability and dignity of the Government of that particular country. The currency notes of our country are soiled and torn which evoke a pitiable reaction. Sir, the traders and shopkeepers are looting the villagers on this pretext. Hence I demand that the circulation of such notes should not be discontinued; rather their number should be increased and these notes should be printed in larger numbers.

Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir at present, coins of Re.1, Rs.2 and Rs.5 denomination are in circulation in the market but the actual position is that, a two rupee coin looks like a one rupee coin and a five rupee coin looks like a fifty paisa coin. Due to this confusion, the villagers are being looted by the shopkeepers. Besides, a large number of notes can be kept easily, however, it is not possible to carry a large number of coins in one's purse. Otherwise also, the notes have their own importance. Hence, I urge upon the Government that the printing of currency notes of Re.1, Rs.2 and Rs.5 denomination should not be discontinued, rather they should be printed in large numbers.

*[English]*

SHRI SAT MAHAJAN (Kangra) : Mr. Deputy-Speaker, Sir, I am raising a very very serious matter before you. There is great anger, anguish and resentment in Himachal Pradesh. While all the other States have been given economic package, people of Himachal Pradesh have been denied an economic package.

*[Translation]*

Are we being punished because of our decorum and decency?

Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, this Government had constituted a committee. The Ninth Finance Commission did injustice to us when it removed the name of the State from the list of Special Category States. Thereafter a Rangrajan Committee was constituted which recommended that non-plan allocation should be curtailed. We made a request for permission to impose generation tax on electricity but we were not granted the permission. Our consent is not being sought. Royalty is given for Chamera and Barasyul Hydel Projects but we are not getting any money. We have deficit of Rs.1200 crore. Ever since reorganisation of the States, we are getting 2 percent whereas we are entitled to receive 7.50 percent. Injustice has been done to us. Himachal Pradesh Assembly, cutting across the party line, has unanimously passed a Resolution on 2nd of this month.

*[English]*

The Central Government must come forward with a package. We are losing our patience and I warn the Central Government not to put the hills on fire.

*[Translation]*

SHRI PRABHU DAYAL KATHERIA (Firozabad) : Hon'ble Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, through you, I would like to draw the attention of the Government towards Uttar Pradesh. There are 66 districts in Uttar Pradesh and Hon'ble Members from all these districts, whether they belong to Ruling Party or the Opposition Party, would agree that there is a serious power crisis in the State. The supply of electricity being unsatisfactory in all the districts, the Power and Water Crisis has taken a serious turn. As you know that electricity plays a very important role in our daily affairs Uttar Pradesh is presently under the President rule, hence the Central Government can directly intervene in this matter. Hence, I make a request that the present Government should give instructions to the administrative authorities to ensure power supply in these 66 districts without further delay. Power is not being supplied in even 40 districts out of these 66 districts because of which the lands of farmers are unirrigated and their crops are getting destroyed.

At the same time, I would like to submit, through you, that there is a severe power crisis in Agra and Ferozabad. The Government of India should ask the

State Government to make arrangement for power supply in Uttar Pradesh. This is a very important matter for the farmers. You may enquire from any member from Uttar Pradesh.

Hon'ble Minister is present here. Would he give an assurance to Hon'ble Members...*(Interruptions)*

*[English]*

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: What is this? I have allowed only one person to speak. ...*(Interruptions)*

*[Translation]*

SHRI PRABHU DAYAL KATHERIA : Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, the farmers want electricity. They want water. Their crops are getting affected ...*(Interruptions)* The Prime Minister is known as the son of a farmer and son of a labourer. But those people are not getting water and electricity...*(Interruptions)* The Government should give a reply...*(Interruptions)*

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: All right you have made your point. ...*(Interruptions)*

*[English]*

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Please sit down.

*(Interruptions)*

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Please allow him to speak.

*(Interruptions)*

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: No. This is not good.

*(Interruptions)*

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Please sit down. You have made your point and it has been recorded.

*(Interruptions)*

*[English]*

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Please sit down. There should be some limit. Please taken your seats. Shri Chennithala.

*(Interruptions)*

SHRI RAMESH CHENNITHALA (Kottayam) : Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, it is reported in the Press that the Regional Office of the Tea Board which is situated in Kottayam which is in my constituency is going to be shifted from there.

Sir, this Office of the Tea Board has been there in Kottayamn for a long time. Actually, the Regional Office of the Tea Board is very much beneficial for the tea growers as well as the labourers who are working in the nearby district, Idukki. All of a sudden, now the Tea Board officials have decided to shift this Regional Office from Kottayam to Ernakulam. This will be a great injustice to the labourers as well as the tea growers of the Eastern part of Kerala. I do not know why they have decided to shift this Regional Office from Kottayam to Cochin. The tea growers, the planters and the labourers are agitated over this decision.

So, I request the hon. Minister, through you, Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, to put off this decision to shift this Regional Office of the Tea Board from Kottayam to Cochin. This will have a very serious repercussion in the tea growing areas. The labourers are agitated, the planters are very much disgusted. So, through you, Sir, I request the Hon. Minister for Commerce to drop this idea to shift the Regional Office of the Tea Board from Kottayam which is in my constituency to Cochin.

Thank you.

*[Translation]*

DR. SATYANARAYAN JATIA (Ujjain) : Mr. Deputy-Speaker, Sir, the condition of the labourers is not good in our country. Their employment is also not secured. The labourers of the textiles mills of Ujjain and Indore were lathi charged. They were demanding to run the mill. Injustice and atrocities are being committed to them. Therefore, these mills should be made functional. The Government is not paying any attention towards it. Not only this, there is a great resentment among the employees. Fifth Pay Commission should give its report soon and its recommendations should be implemented at the earliest. The trade Unions of India have demanded that recommendations of Fifth Pay Commission should be implemented from Ist January, 1994. Its another demand is that the minimum pay for group 'D' employees should be Rs.3000/-. Fifth Pay Commission should submit its report soon. All the Trade Unions of India are considering about this problem and today they are staging a demonstration at Sharm Shakti Bhawan. Therefore, I would like to demand through you that the Government should not ignore the demands of the labourers. The Government should accept their demands immediately.

SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV (Patna) : Mr. Deputy-Speaker, Sir, through you, I would like to draw the attention of the Government towards my Parliamentary constituency Patna. Some months ago, a Doordarshan Studio was set up in Patna. Its inauguration had also taken place on which lakhs of rupees were spent. Big buildings were constructed there and many equipments were installed. But it is a matter of great concern that the studio was closed after a few days. I have also drawn the attention of hon'ble Minister orally as well as in writing in this regard but no action has so far been taken and Doordarshan Studio is still lying closed.

A Doordarshan Studio has its own importance. Due to the closure of Doordarshan Studio there, the information do not reach the villages, thereby the people of Bihar are not getting its benefit. Therefore, through you, I would like to submit to the hon'ble Minister of Information and Broadcasting to pay attention towards it in order to make it operational. When we approach him, he says that there is a shortage of staff there. I would like to know that if there is shortage of staff, why building was constructed there after spending lakhs of